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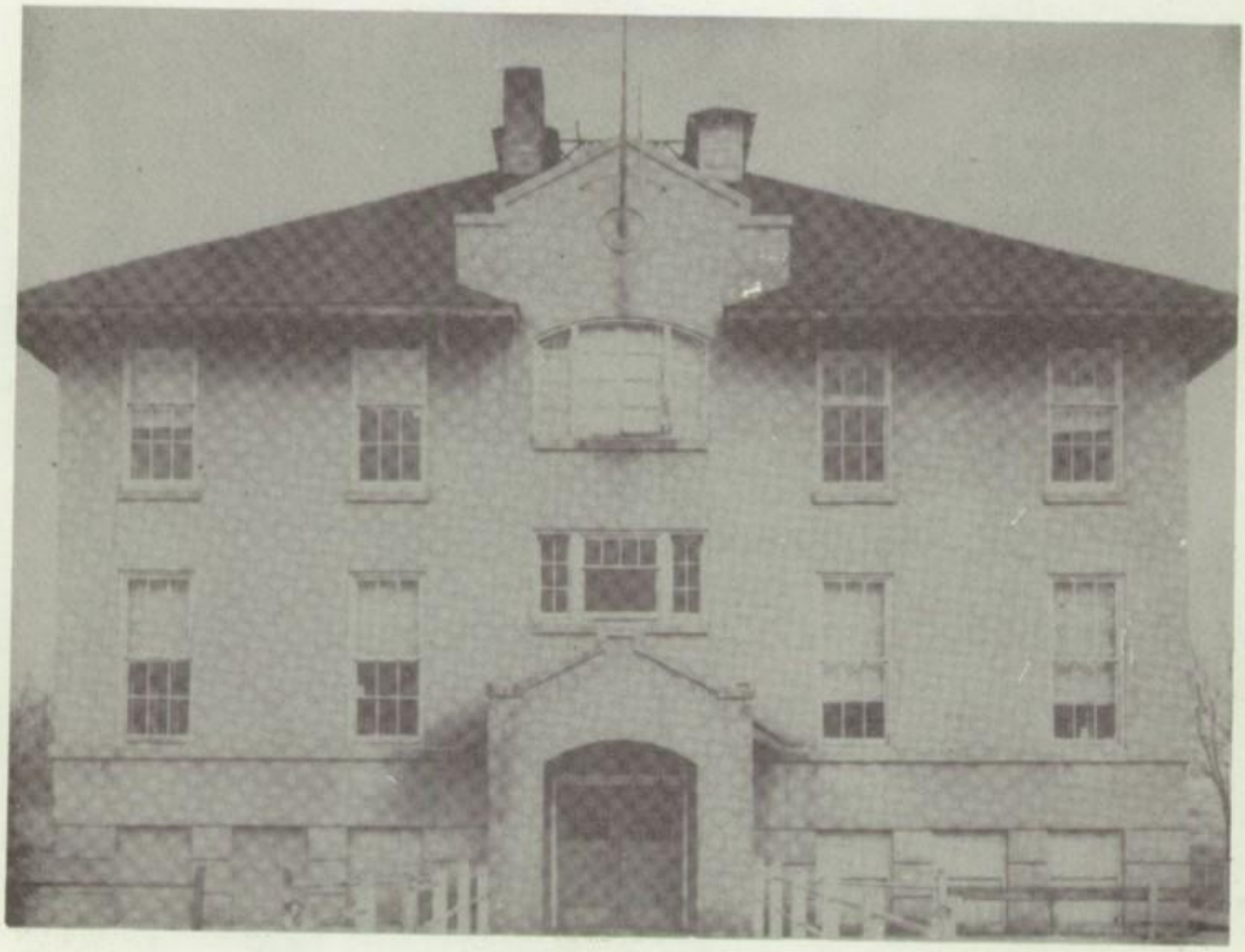

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IRRIGON HIGH SCHOOL

IRRIGON, OREGON

Dedication

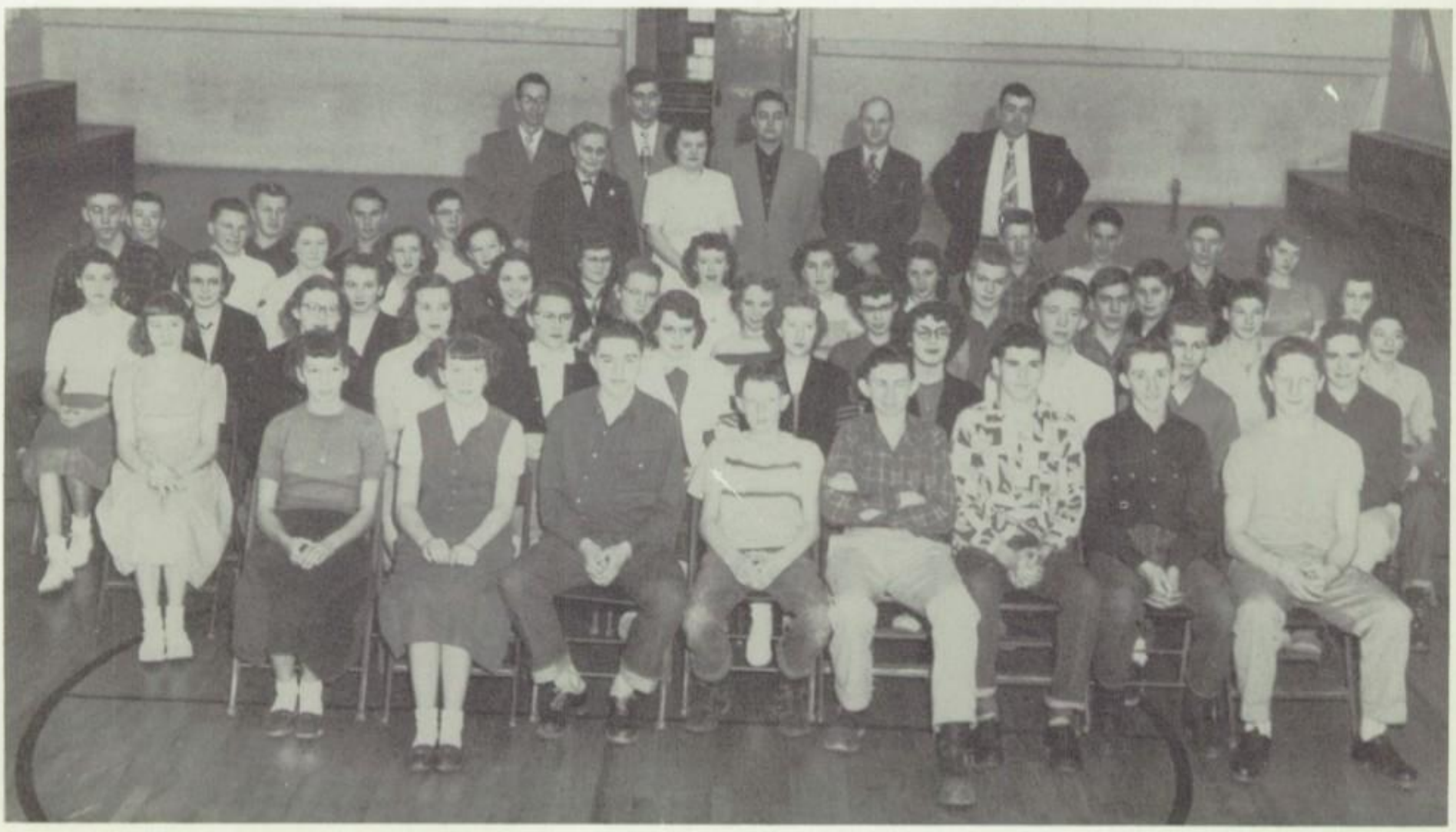
We, the Senior Class of 1953, dedicate this annual to our beloved advisor_Mr. McMasters, who in the past two years has shown his kindness and has given his unremitting efforts to the betterment of our class.

He has been the band instructor for the past two years and has developed a musical organization of notable technique and excellent ability.

ADMINISTRATION

The Faculty

Rucker Coy Cross Goldan Hazelett McMasters Miller



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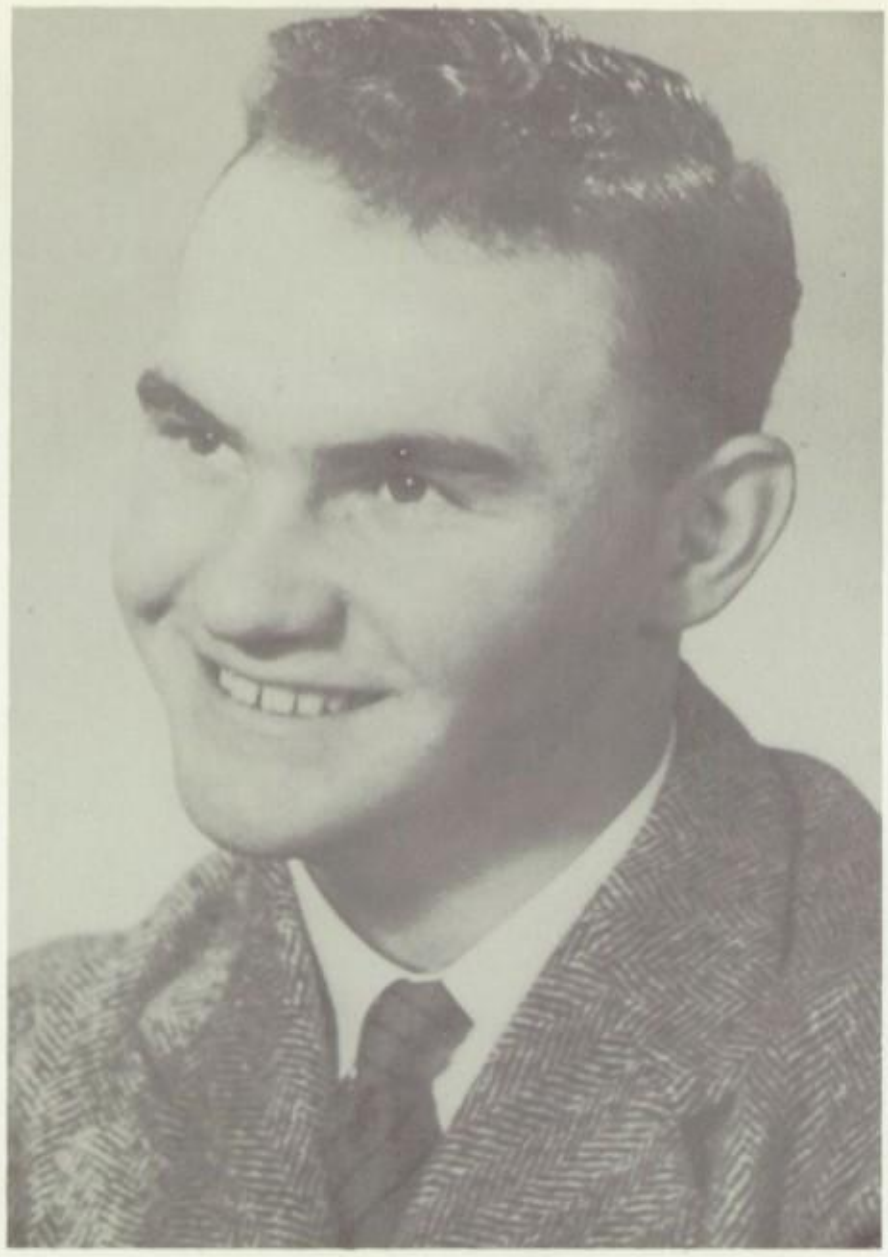


DONALD ORVILLE LEIGHTON
"Don"

Paper Staff	3-4
Ass't Paper Editor	3
Paper Editor	4
Annual Staff	3-4
Ass't Annual Editor	4
Letterman Club	2-3-4
Letterman President	4
Letterman Vice Pres.	3
Class President	2
Class Sec. & Treas.	3
Student Body Pres.	4
Student Body V. Pres.	3
Student Council	2-3-4
Play	3-4
Basketball Mgr.	2-3-4
Football	2-3-4
Football Captain	4
Carnival M. C.	4

HELEN MAXINE STEAGALL
"Macky"

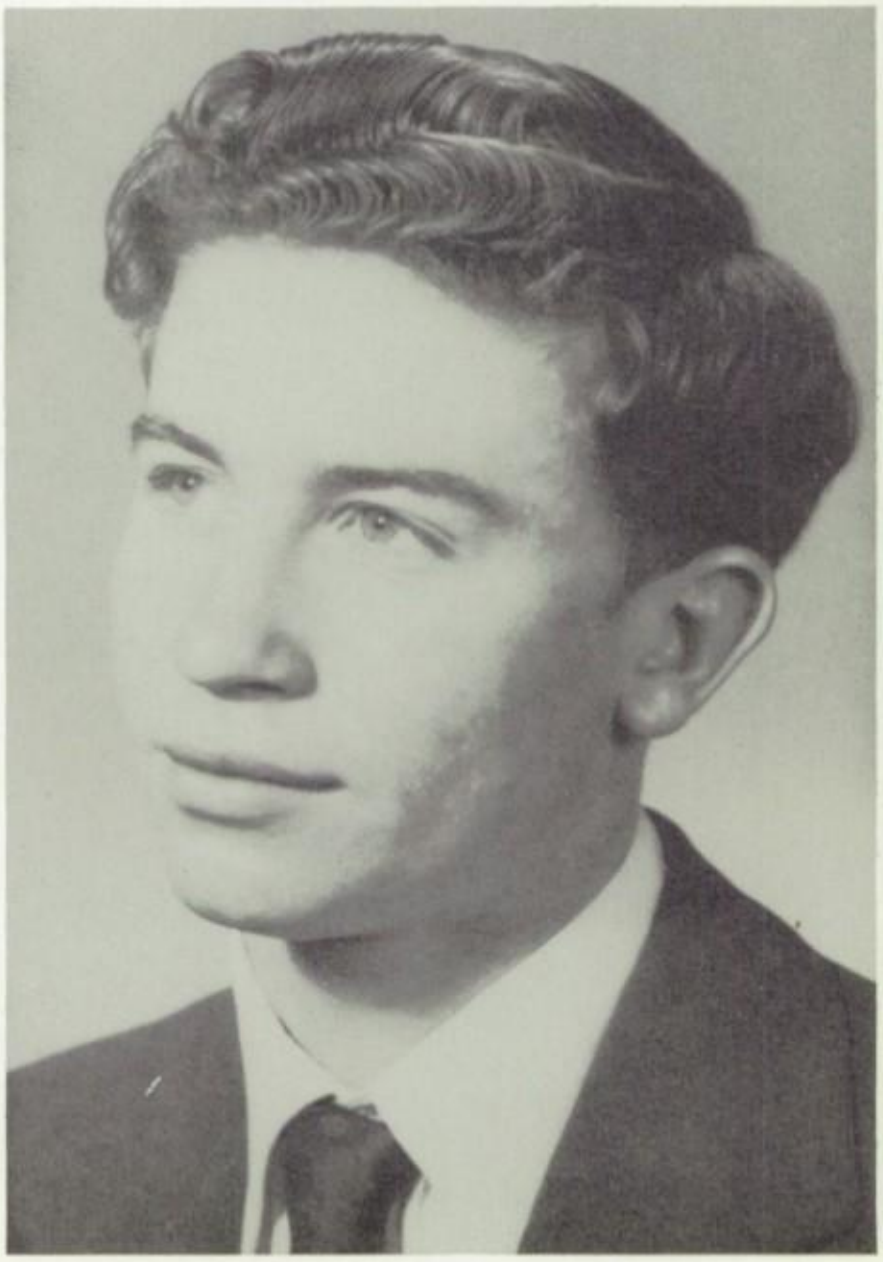
Paper Staff	2-3-4
Ass't Paper Editor	4
Annual Editor	3
Annual Staff	3-4
G. A. A.	1-2-3-4
G. A. A. Sec. & Treas.	3
Plays	3-4
Volleyball	1-2-3-4
Carnival Princess	1
Band	1-2-3-4
Majorette	1-2-3-4
Speech	1-2
Student Council	3-4
Class President	3-4
Class Sec. & Treas.	1
Chorus	4
Cheer Leader	1-2-3
Tennis	1-2-3-4
All Northwest Band	4

LaVONNE DARLEEN McCOY
"Dee"

Transfer	2-4
Paper Staff	2-4
Annual Staff	4
G. A. A.	2-4
Carnival Princess	2
Volleyball	2
Play	4
Chorus	4
Volleyball Mgr.	4

RONALD LEE BERGER
"Ronnie"

Paper Staff	3-4
Annual Staff	3-4
Letterman Club	2-3-4
Letterman Vice Pres.	4
Letterman Sec. & Treas.	3
Class Vice Pres.	1-2-4
Plays	1-4
Tennis	1-2-3-4
Football	1-2-3-4
Basketball	1-2-3



MEREDITH PEARL HOOVER
"Mamie"

Transfer	3
Paper Staff	3-4
Annual Staff	3-4
G. A. A.	4
Class Vice President	3
Volley Ball	3-4
Carnival Princess	3
Chorus	4
Speech	4
Play	3-4

DONALD LEE ACOCK
"Pee Wee"

Class President	1
Student Council	1
Tennis	1-2-3-4
Football	2-4
Basketball	1-3-4
Letterman Club	2-3-4
Play	4

LENORA NANCY BURNETTE
"Lee"

Paper Staff	3-4
Annual Staff	3-4
G. A. A.	1-2-3-4
G. A. A. President	4
Class Sec. & Treas.	4
Plays	3-4
Volleyball	1-2-3-4
Tennis	1-3-4
Speech	2

DONALD VINCENT EPPENBAUGH
"Don"

Basketball	3-4
Football	3
Letterman's Club Sec. & Treas.	4
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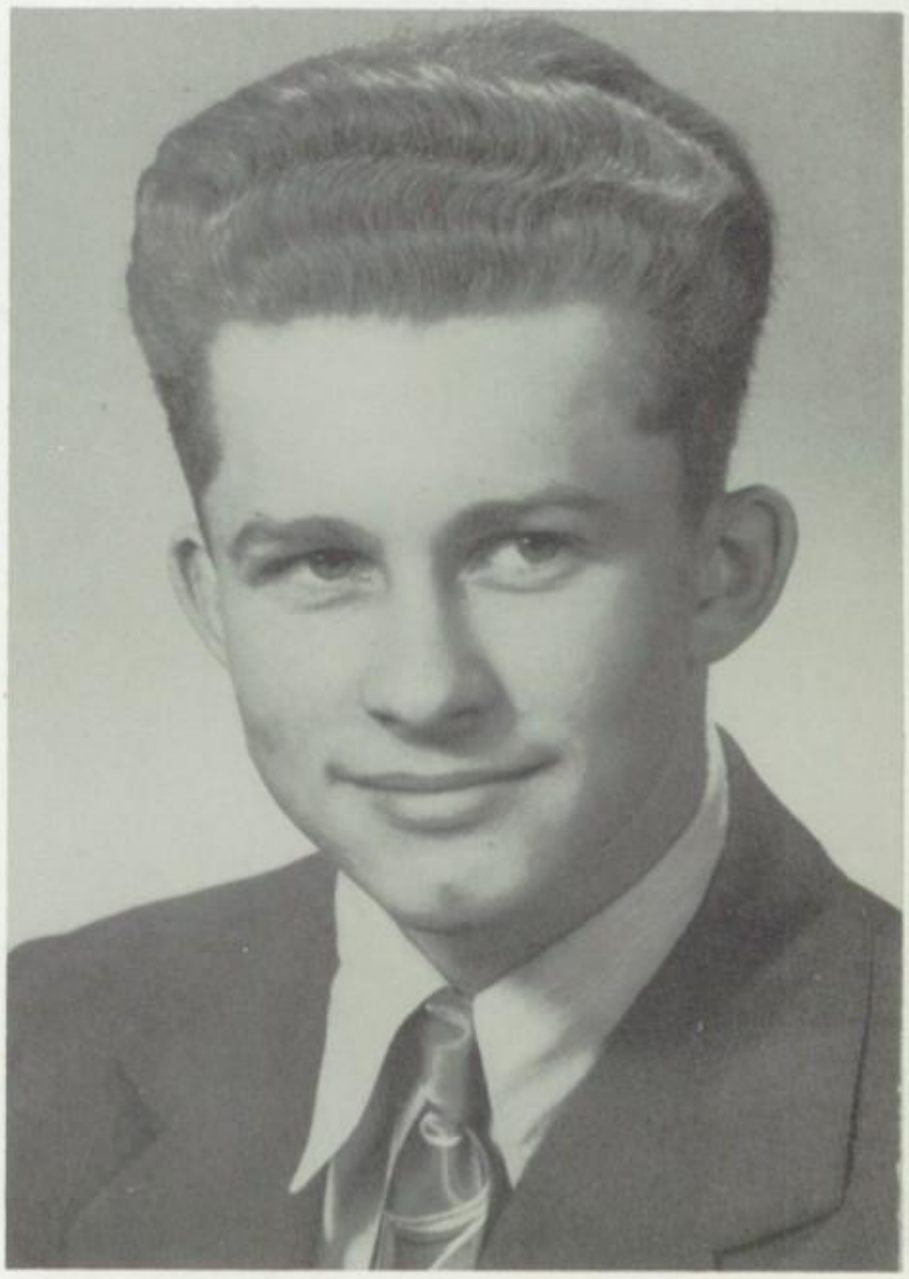
Student Body Sec. & Treas.	4
Play	4



CLARA MARGIE AVENT
"Margie"

Transfer	4
Carnival Princess	4
Annual Staff	4
Paper Staff	4
Play	4

Class History

In 1940, Irrigon Grade School was blessed with the presence of LaVonne McCoy and Don Acock. In the middle of the year Helen Steagall entered the small class and they struggled through under the supervision of Miss Bedingfield.

In the following year we had the pleasure of a new student, Lenora Burnette joining. Our teacher was Mrs. NewBurg.

In the third grade we all had a time learning our multiplication under our teacher, Mrs. Matthews.

The fourth grade continued with the same ornery students under the instruction of Miss Eddy.

In the fifth grade the class had the loss of a classmate, LaVonne McCoy. We were all in a great chorus and had a good time with our teacher, Miss Scott.

The following year we had a new boy join us. This was Don Leighton. He fit in well with the class and our teacher, Mrs. Smith.

In the seventh, another boy, Ronald Berger joined us. This year we started our class with Mrs. Smith for our teacher. She left because of illness. We then had Mrs. Sunstun. when she left we had Mrs. Morgan and she substituted until we got a permanent teacher, who was Mrs. Percy.

Our last grade in grade school was just as upset. We lost one of our boys, Don Leighton who moved away. We started the year with Mr. Allen as our teacher. We then got Rev. Turner for our teacher, Mrs. Adams followed Rev. Turner and was our permanent teacher and passed us into High School.

The Freshman Class found us mean as ever on initiation day. The second six weeks brought back an old classmate, Don Leighton.

The Sophomore also brought back an old classmate, LaVonne McCoy.

In the Junior year, we got 2 new students, Meredith Hoover and Don Eppenbach. The same year we also lost a classmate, LaVonne.

The Senior year found us all happy because we made it this far. The first few weeks of school we didn't have Meredith Hoover; she returned after a leave of absense. This year we also regained LaVonne, who came back to graduate with her old classmates. We also gained a new girl, Margie Avent. Through the years we all have taken an active part in activities, and the class as a whole has gotten along well, and have very pleasant and happy memories of all our friends and school days, we are leaving behind.

The Senior Class of "53"

Senior Class Will

We, the Senior of 1953, do will and bequeath:

To the Juniors--our ability to get into trouble and also the warm spots we hold in the hearts of the faculty.

To the Sophomores--our agreeable personality as a class.

To the Freshmen--fond memories of initiation.

To the Eighth Grade--a happy journey through high school.

To the teachers--fond memories.

To our parents--the relief of having our diplomas signed.

I, Helen Maxine Steagall, do will and bequeath my ability for tardiness to Wanda Huwe, my cheerleading and tapping to Ival Sullivan, and my French horn to anyone who will have it.

I, LaVonne Darleen McCoy, do will and bequeath my ability to put up with Irrigon to Betty Biegel, my blond hair to Mr. Goldan, he can use it, and my size 6 shoes to Jody Mann in place of his 13's.

I, Donald Orville Leighton, do will and bequeath my student body office to Dale Shingledecker, my ability to get along with the teachers to Peggy Sanders, and my football position to Ray Warlick.

I, Ronald Lee Berger, do will and bequeath my teeth to Sylvia Boylan, my curly hair to Mr. Cross, and my ability to get along with the girls to Paul Smith.

I, Donald Lee Acock, do will and bequeath my glasses to Bobby Kenney, my driving ability to Jean Warlick, and my slim figure to Shaarom Smith.

I, Clara Margie Avent, do will and bequeath my drivers license to Barbara Gurley, my ability to graduate to Carmine Wilson.

I, Donald Vincent Eppenbach, do will and bequeath my good grades to Doug Davenport, my job as secretary-treasurer of the Student Body to anyone who will have it, and my ability to get along with my teachers to George Cunningham.

I, Lenora Nancy Burnette, do will and bequeath my volleyball ability to Evelyn Sanders, and my figure to Vyanna Boylan.

I, Meredith Pearl Hoover, do will and bequeath my height and figure to Jeanne Califf, and my good disposition to Donna Isom.

Senior Class Prophecy

The Junior Class of 1953 has looked into the stars for the 1953 Senior Class. It is now the year 1970.

The first bright star is Helen Steagall's. She has given up her nurse's training to join the Ringling Brothers' Circus as Madame Zo-Zo, the elephant rider. She enjoys her new work so much that she has decided to make it her life work.

The next star shining our way is Don Acock's. He is the mayor of Irrigon, the biggest little town in the United States.

Next we see a very bright star in more ways than one. It is Meredith Hoover. She is the new Marilyn Monroe.

Then comes Margie Avent, hostess of the Rest Inns. She has a complete chain of these famous restaurants, and has a very good business. Her specialty is anything.

The next in line is Don Eppenbach, now in Yugoslavia teaching English and history. Before leaving America, He published his new revised edition of the dictionary.

Lenora Burnette has really moved to the front. She has been operating a prosperous turkey ranch with the help of her husband and her six children.

The stars tell us Ronald Berger now owns the finest beauty salon ever know. "Ze Hair You'll Let Me Fix Either Way You'll Be Chix". We are told he is a very fine hair stylist.

LaVonne McCoy is in the Ozarks and has twelve children. Reckon as how it's "Cheaper by the dozen". She seems very happy.

The last star is Don Leithton's. He sold all his horses to go into the dairy business, and has re-sold that line to produce the "Drink a Little and Live Longer" Youth Serum.

Wait! One more star flashes out. Oh! yes! it reveals the occupation of Mr. McMasters, the senior advisor. He has long since retired from his own dance band and seems to be spending his time writing poetry.

We will be watching the stars for further developments.

JUNIORS

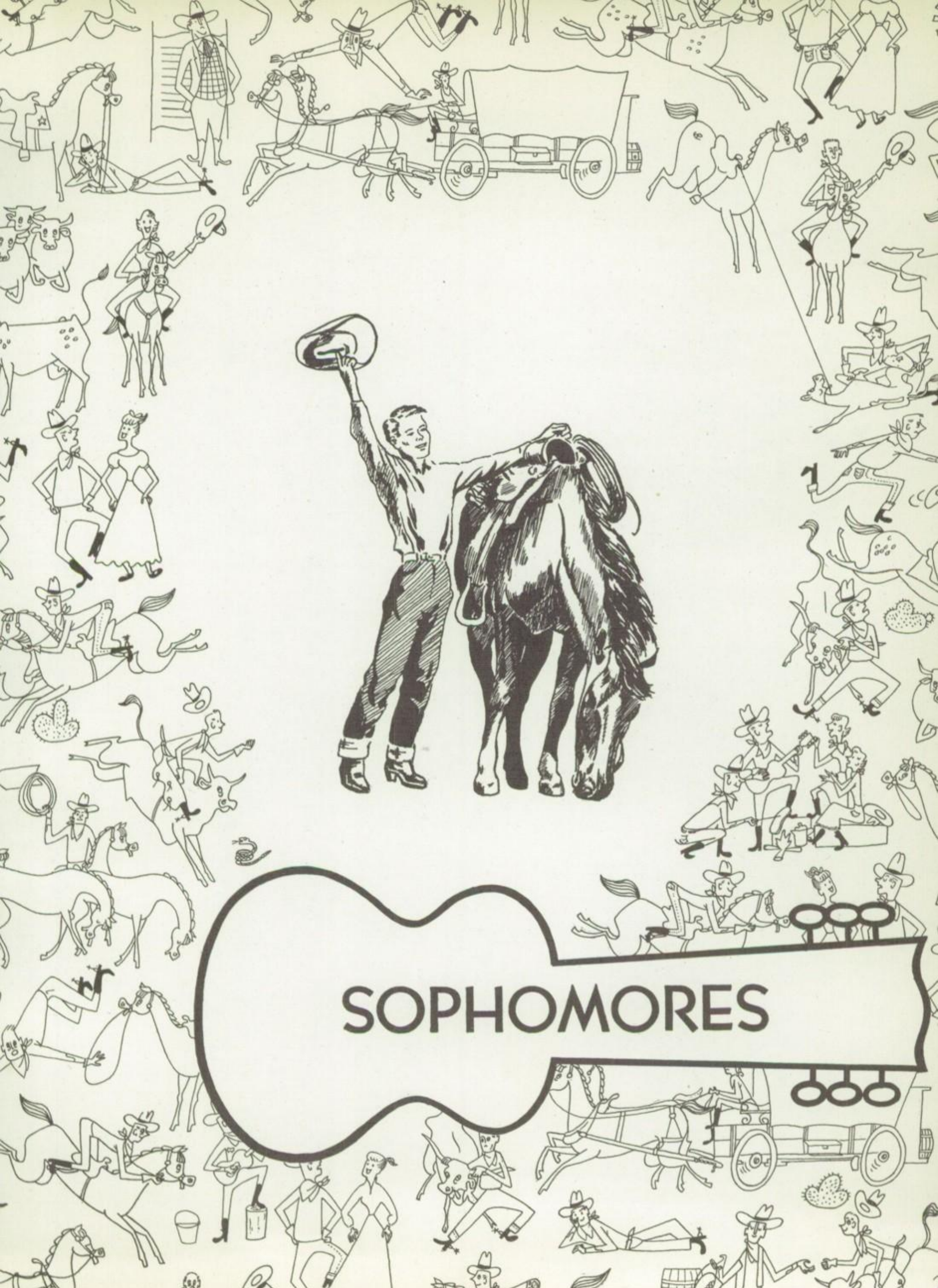
Juniors

Jean Warlick

Donna Isom

Bob Kenney

The Jr. class elected Mr. Rucker as their advisor. The officers for the year were President Donna Isom, Vice President Jean Warlick, Secretary Bob Kenney. The Jr. class made money for the Jr. -Senior banquet by sponsoring a basketball game and having the cafeteria part time at other games.



SOPHOMORES

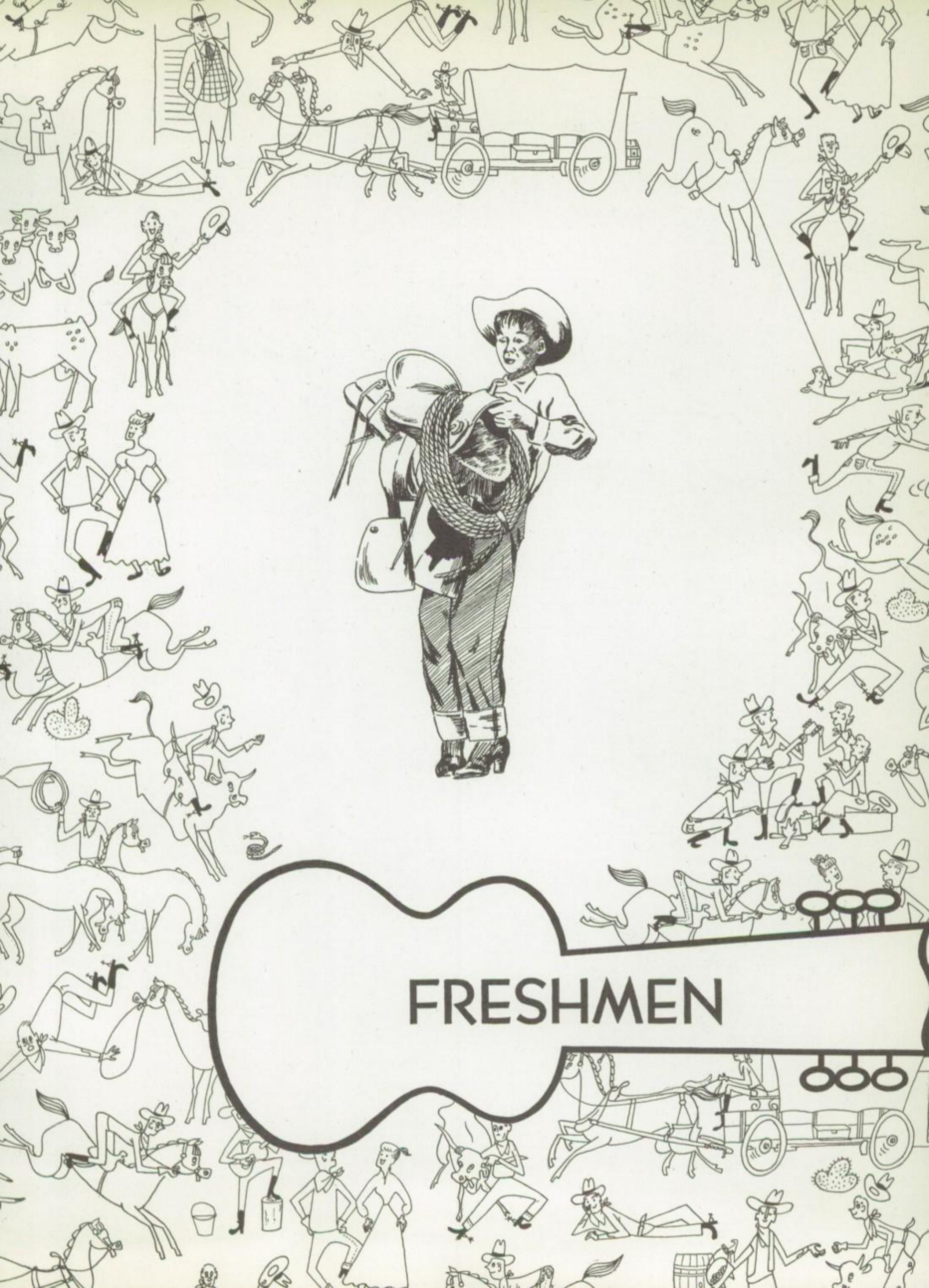
Sophomores

Sullivan, Losness, Huwe, Burnette, Kruzich, Holden, Mrs. Coy
Edwards, Wilson, Califf, Hinkley, Boylan, McNamee, Cole, Smith, Graybeal, Shade

When school began the Sophomore Class had fifteen members. Just after Christmas Glen Coy came back to school. At the beginning of the second semester Jim Kruzich joined the class and we had the loss of Mary Jane McNamee who moved to Adams, Oregon.

The Sophomores sold pop at the ball games and made $30.00 profit on it.

The Sophomores have enjoyed the 1952 and 1953 school year very much.



FRESHMEN

Freshmen

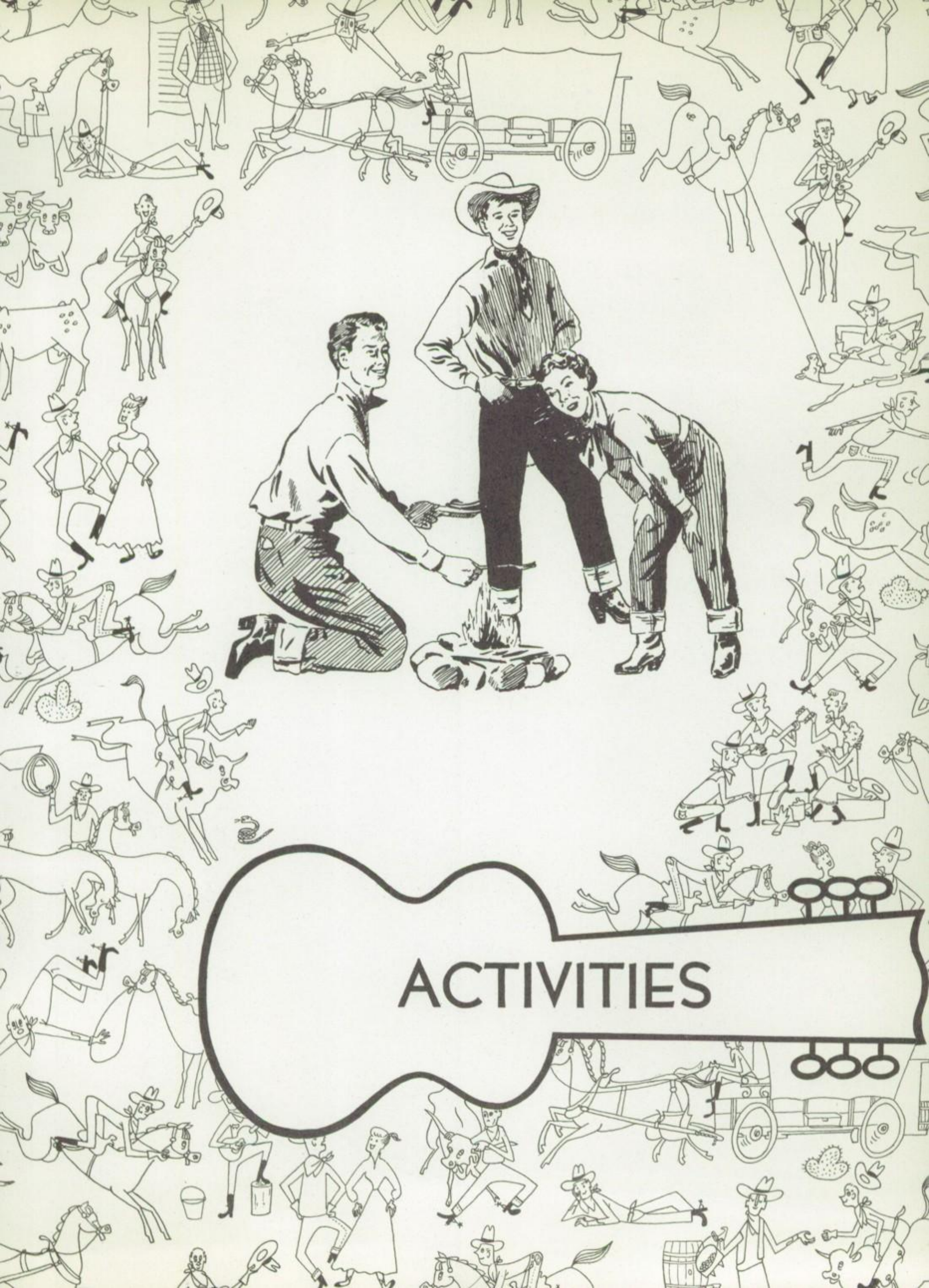
The Freshman Class of 1953 has enjoyed their first year in I. H. S. At the start of the school year Mr. Hazelett was chosen to be our advisor. Officers were elected as follows: President Janet Stephens; Vice President--Evelyn Sanders; Sec. Treasurer--Mary Gaspers, Sgt. at Arms--Bob Frazier.

The mighty Seniors planned quite an initiation, complete with a football game played at Helix which all Freshies attended. A return party is being planed for the spring of "53".

Our treasury holds a sizeable sum from the sale of candy at basketball and volleyball games. Various members of the class took their turns at selling and cleaning up in the gym.

Being the "lowest" classmen it was our rightful duty to clean up after the Christmas Banquet, but to tell the truth we really enjoyed it.

Frazier, Mann, Warlick, Shingledecker, Mr. Hazelett, Stephens, Gaspers, Huwe, Sanders, Hill, Davenport.



ACTIVITIES

Annual Staff

Mrs. Coy, Huwe, Gurley, Biegel, Steagall, Leighton, Isom, Boylan, Warlick, McCoy, Berger, Eppenbach.

Asst. Editor
Don Leighton

Editor
Donna Isom

Bus. Editor
Helen Steagall

The Paper Staff

Editor ..... Don Leighton
Asst. Editor..... Helen Steagall
Publication Editor ..... Jean Warlick
Feature Editor ..... Donna Isom
Class Editor..... Dorla Huwe
Meredith Hoover
Exchange Editor ..... Barbara Gurley
Proof Reader ..... Margie Avent
Typists ..... LaVonne McCoy
Vyanna Boylan

The Band

The Band, made up of high school and some grade school pupils, has been under the direction of Mr. Don McMaster. The personnel has numbered thirty or more, and they have advanced to the playing of B and C music.

The Band has played at many of the home basketball games this year, and at the Jamboree and Tournament. A full evening concert of modern music was presented February 23. Plans are being made to enter the Eastern Oregon Music Festival at LaGrande in which the Band intends to enter "C" rather than "D" competition, one grade level higher than last year. Another late spring appearance will be made in concert prior to The Eastern Oregon Festival.

Soloists appearing with the band this year were: Jerry Ross, Dennis Ross, Nancy Graybeal, Bob Kenney and Helen Steagall. Contest preparations for solo work are also being made by Barbara Gurley, Vyanna Boylan and Sylvia Boylan.

Two students were honored this year by being selected as members of the "All Northwest" musical groups to be held in late March before the Music Educators National Conference in Bellingham, Washington. Selected were Jeanne Califf-chorus, and Helen Steagall-band.

Chorus

Frazier, Hoover, McNamee, Steagall, Gurley, Wilson, Sanders, McCoy, Cole, Stephens, Sanders, Shade, Graybeal, Hill, Isom, Califf, Boylan.

Queen And Her Court

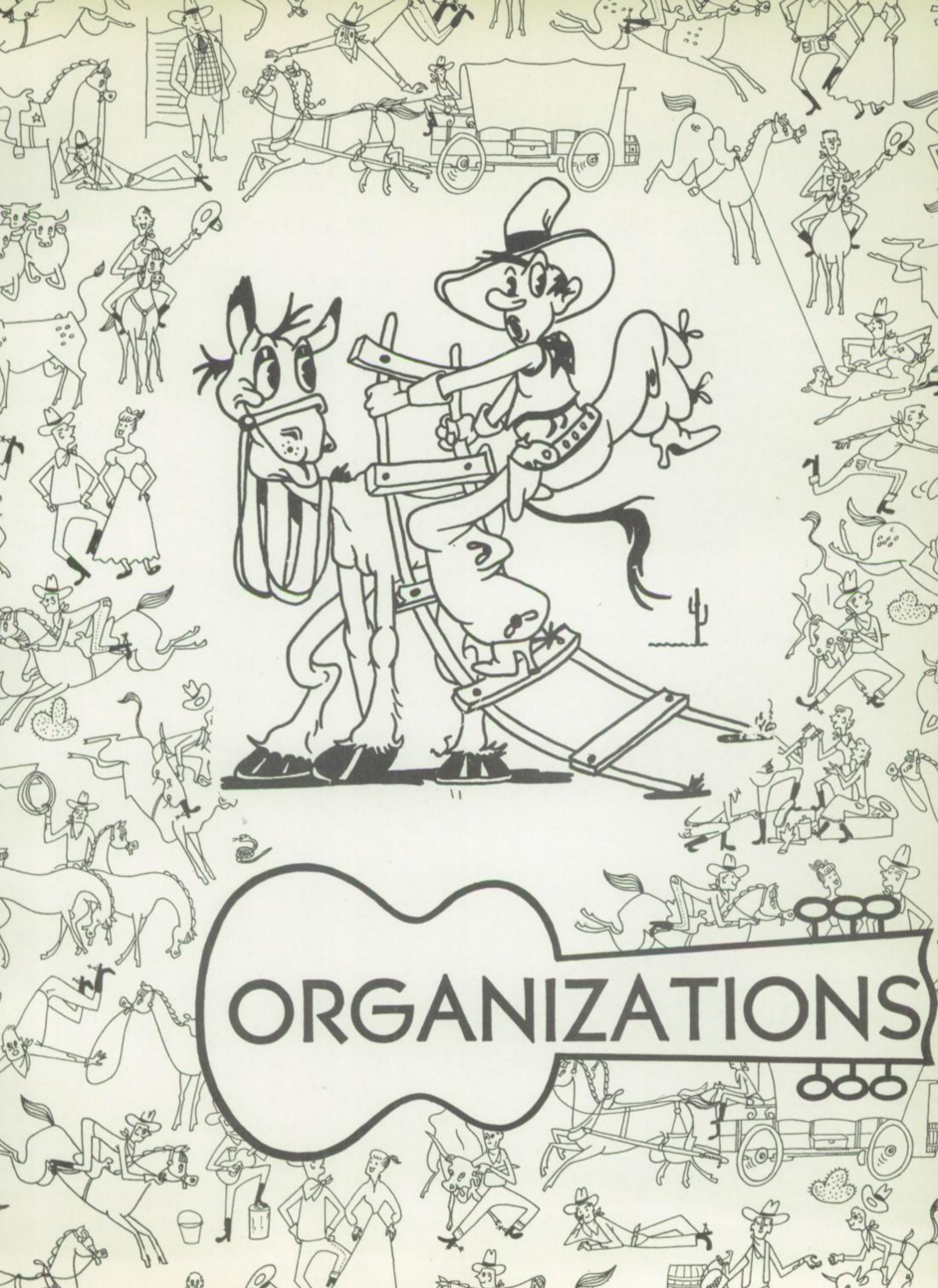
Margie Avent

Ruth Shade

Judy Filley

Janet Stephens

Betty Biegel



ORGANIZATIONS

Student Council

Isom, Stephens, Steagall, Boylan, Mr. Goldan, Leighton, Edwards, Eppenbach.

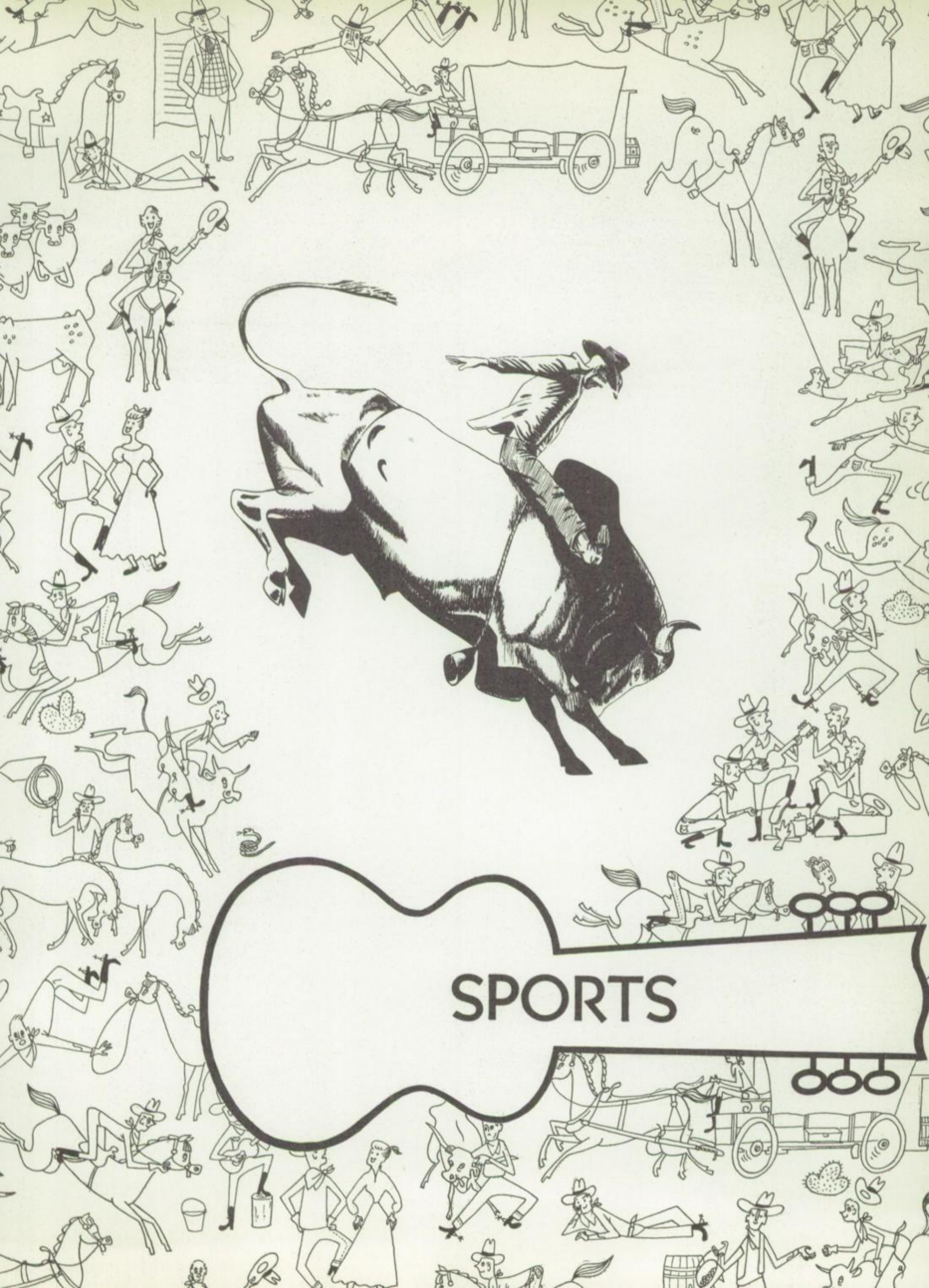
The Student Council is made up of the Student Body officers and presidents of each class. All minor problems are brought up and solved. The more important ones are discussed and brought in front of the Student Body to decide.

Back row: Leighton, Frazier, Kelly, Ross, Edwards, Mr. Rucker.

Front row: Eppenbach, Berger, Acock, Kenney, Losness, Holden.

Back row: Hill, Mrs. Baker, Hoover, Boylan, Stephens, Hinkley, Steagall, McCoy, Gurley, Huwe, Wilson, Graybeal, Warlick, Shade, Califf, McNamee, Huwe, Gaspers, Smith, Boylan.

Front row: Biegel, Burnette, Isom.



SPORTS

Football

Sixteen boys turned out for football this year. Under the coaching of Les Rucker the boys got off to a good start by winning the first game of the year. The boys cooperated very well with one another. A lot of stress was placed on fundamentals. Co-operation and sportsmanship are the two major things to be gained from athletics. Any sport, competitive sport that is, is allowed to stay in the high school curriculum because of the value received from it, not entirely because it is important to the school to win games, but because it is important for the things it teaches the students that participate in it. When the boys and girls realize the fact that athletics are given for what they, themselves get out of it and not what the school gets out of it, they will enjoy it more.

Irrigon is looking forward to a better season next year both from the stand-point of games won and also from the angle of the enjoyment the players get from it.

Basketball

Edwards, Sullivan, Berger, Kenney, Losness, Acock, Coach Rucker, Ross, Smith, Edwards, Eppenbach.

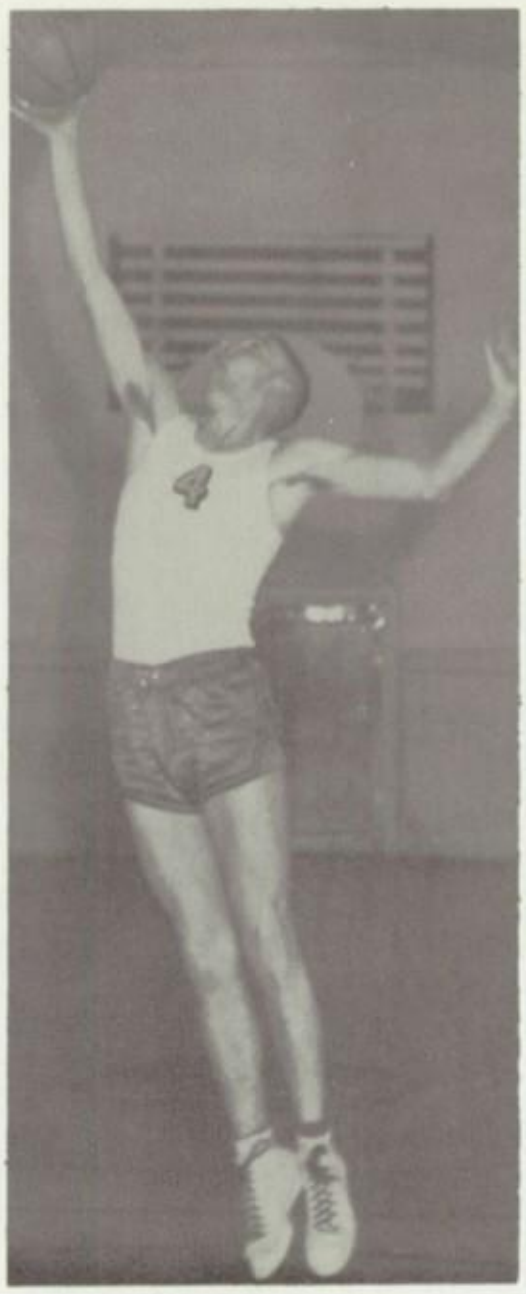
The Basketball team played 21 games this year. This figure does not include the tournament. The team looked pretty ragged at the beginning of the year but began to sharpen up as the season came to a close. The coach, Mr. Les Rucker, said he was pleased with the progress and advancement of the boys.

There were quite a few changes made in the first ten as the season wore on. At the close of the season the first ten consisted of the following boys: Kenney, Acock, Smith, Ross, Mann, Shingledecker, T. Edwards, K. Edwards, Sullivan, and Losness. W. Huwe and R. Warlick were managers. W. Kelly received a letter for his help as assistant coach.

On Dec. 5, 1952, Irrigon went to the basketball jamboree at Umatilla. This was the official opening of the basketball season for the Irrigon High team. The Saturday following the jamboree, Irrigon went to Umapine for their first game. Fron then on Irrigon played, on the average, two games a week until the tournament on Feb. 20, 1953, where they met their Waterloo at the hands of the Uma - pine basketball squad.

Basketball

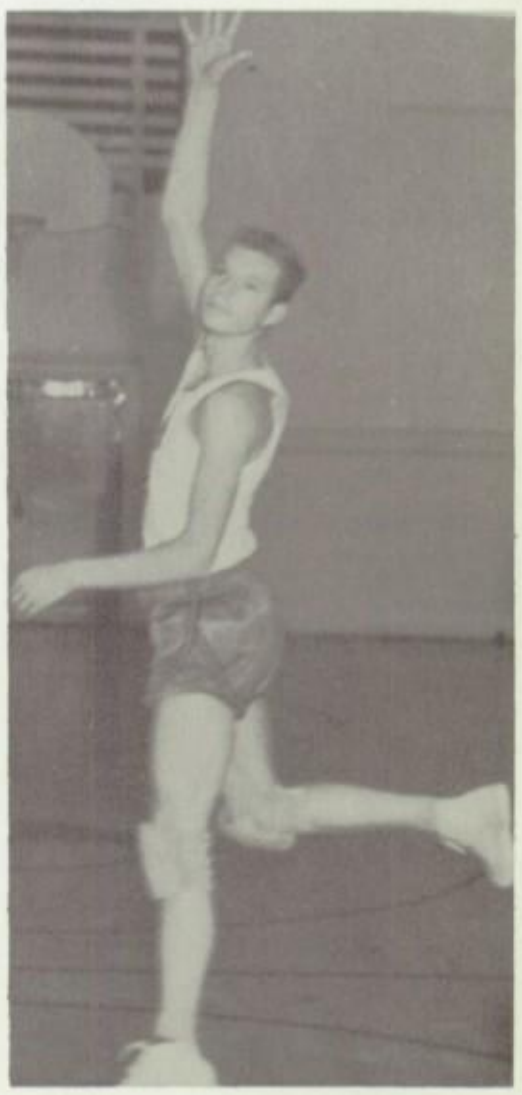
Bob Kenney



Jerry Ross

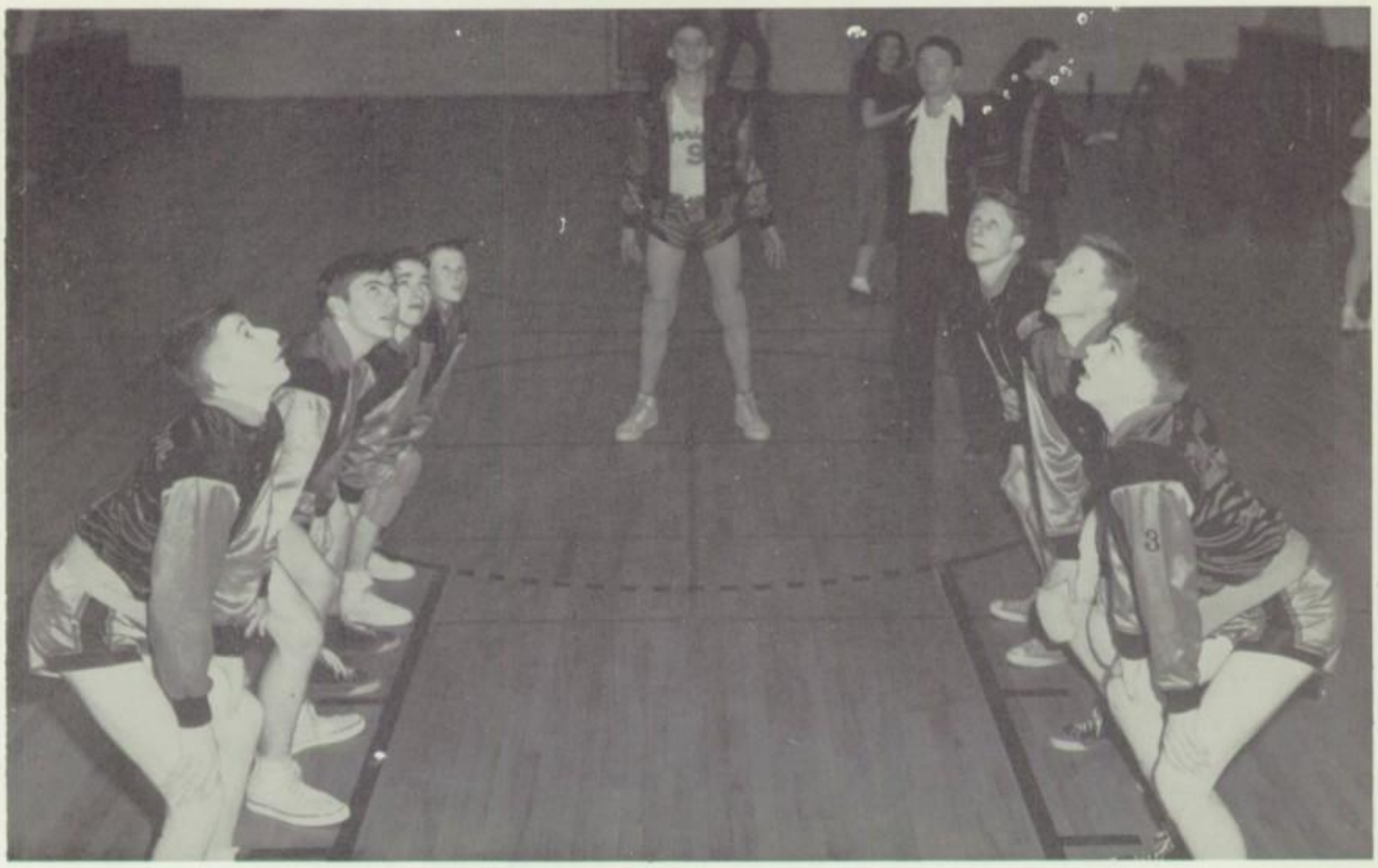
Jack Smith

Don Acock



Howard Losness

Basketball



Gaspers, Burnette, Holdan, Davenport, Mann, Kelly, Kruzich, Shingledecker, Frazier.

Cheerleaders

Boylan Shade Gaspers

Girls' Volleyball Team

This year's volley ball has been eventful. We haven't won many games but have had lots of fun. We have played ten games. Our coach was Mrs. Baker.

Boardman	lost	Irrigon	won
Umatilla	won	"	lost
Hermiston	won	"	lost
Stanfield	lost	"	won
Echo	won	"	lost
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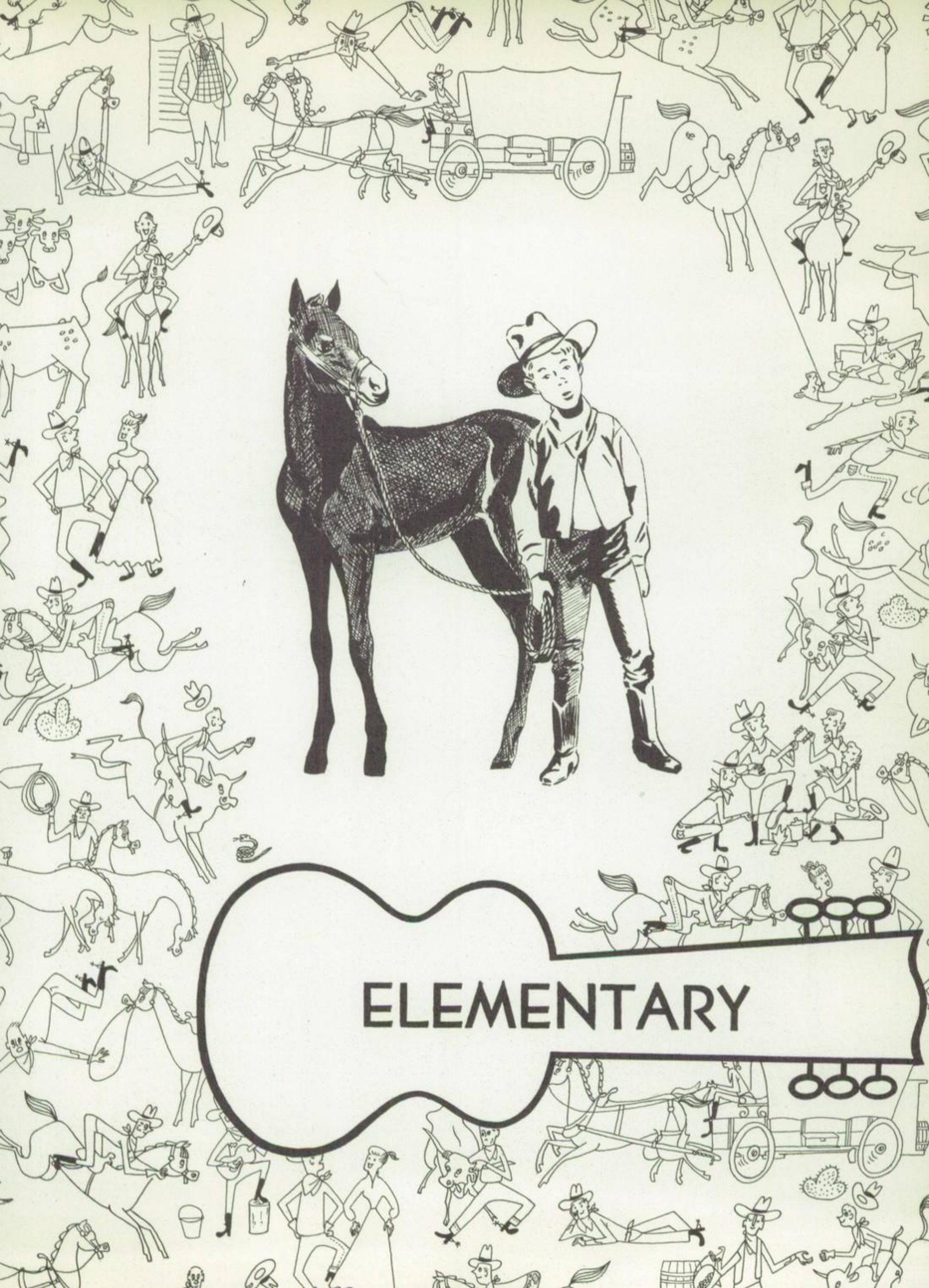

ELEMENTARY

Grade School Faculty

Mrs. L. Smith, Mrs. Baker, Mrs. Barnett, Mr. York, Mrs. J. Smith, Mrs. Hayes, Mrs. Russell, Mrs. Alexander.

Back Row: Mr. York,. M. Gurley, M. Hartley, M. Cunningham, V. Hughes, S. Coleman, N. Hinkley, F. Hoagland, J. Filley, G. Wilson, N. Smith, M. Henderson, V. Keith, B. Allport, R. Wilson, D. Cosner, M. Gaspers, V. Evans, D. Macey, M. Califf, D. Ross, C. Russell, W. Eppenbaugh, C. Ballard, B. Edwards, K. Cole, T. Taylor, C. Senn, C. Coy.

The 7th and 8th was taught by Mr. York until the new building was completed. Mr. Tullis then taught the 7th grade the first semester. Mrs. Smith then took over. Judy Filley was chosen queen of the carnival.

Back Row: Cook, Macey, Califf, Ross, Russell, Eppenbach, Coach York.
Middle Row: Senn, Ballard, Evans, Edwards, Cole, Taylor.
Front Row: Dobbins, Eppenbach, Wilson, Thompson, Gaspers, Taylor, Coy, Warlick.

Filley

Smith

Coleman

Sixth Seventh Grade

Hobbs, Deschund, Smith, Gaukrud, Mrs. Barnette, Paxton, Burnette, Losness, Hayes, Wilson, Shingledecker, Cole, Coy, Small, Gollyhorn, Coleman, Cooley, Young, Stephens, Mulkey.

Mrs. Morgan, Henderson, Sweringen, Huwe, Hinkley, Riddle, Berger, Hoadley, Cosner, Umiker, Hill, Hill, Shingledecker, Warner, Eppenbach, Dobbins, Wilson, Hartley, Hayes, Thompson, Allen, McNamee, Taylor, Shade, Davenport, Filley.

Second Third Fourth Grade

Mrs. Baker, Cooley, Losness, .Dobbins, Webb, Norse, Creamer, Snider, Hill, Crump, Wilson, Mulkey, Schmeder, Davis, Hobbs, Robbins, Keith, Taylor. Dunn.

Cosner, Warlick, Jeffreys, Mrs. Hayes, Kenney, Morlow, Wilson, Edwards, Davis, Jeffreys, Eppenbach, Hughs, Gollyhorn, Dunn, Goldan, Morse.

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